

6 NEGROES LYNCHED BY FLORIDA MOB

Held at Lake City on Charge of Killing Lumberman.

BODIES RIDDED BY BULLETS

The Lynchers Visited the Lake City Jail During the Sheriff's Absence and Presented Bogus Order to Young Son to Deliver Negroes.

Masquerading as officers of the law, a dozen men appeared before the county jail at 2 o'clock Sunday at Lake City, Fla., and presented a bogus telegram to the credulous 16-year-old son of the sheriff ordering the release of Mark Norris, Jr., Jerry Gusto and four other negroes, who had been held for safe keeping on the charge of murdering B. B. Smith, a sawmill man, at Wadesborough, Leon county, and wounding another man, named Register, on May 12.

The men, who had come from Tallahassee to Lake City in automobiles, carried the negroes about a mile outside of Lake City, compelled the negroes to stand abreast, and about ten men commenced firing with winchesters and pistols, until every one of the six had been riddled with bullets. The firing lasted about half an hour, and a few straggling citizens at daybreak found the negroes, butchered beyond recognition, just after the automobiles left the scene of the lynching.

Lynchers Traveled 106 Miles. The men who planned the execution of the six negroes came overland from Tallahassee, a distance of 106 miles, and covered most of the distance at night.

It is possible that the occupants of the two automobiles were never seen from the time they left Tallahassee until they returned. The plans of the men were the most daring, and but for a curious combination of circumstances probably would have never been accomplished. The sheriff of Columbia county was out of the city, and left the jail in charge of the boy, who, aroused in the early hours of the morning, allowed the six negroes to be taken from the jail without knowing the sinister purpose of the mob.

Lynching at Swainesboro.

Ben Smith, the old negro preacher who shot and fatally wounded Neal Canady, deputy marshal of Summit, was hanged to a limb and his body riddled with bullets by an infuriated mob.

Canady was attempting to arrest Smith, for whom he had a warrant for shooting his wife. Before Canady could arrest him, however, Smith pulled out a pistol, shooting the marshal through the bowels, inflicting a probably fatal wound. As Canady fell he fired a shot at the fleeing negro, which struck him, but did not totally disable him.

LYNCHERS HANG MAN.

Orkey Had Confessed to Committing an Outrage on a Woman.

Praying vainly for mercy at the hands of a determined mob, John S. Orkey, a tramp, after confessing to having committed an assault on Mrs. Harvey James, wife of a miner, was hanged at Bluefields, Va., to the cross on a little church in the suburbs of the city. It was in the shadow of the church where his body was hanged that he lay in wait for his victim. After Mrs. James told of the crime, dogs were put on the trail, and when he was identified he confessed the crime. The sheriff vainly tried to get the mob to give up the criminal. The man's prayers for mercy were cut short by the rope, which had been thrown over the cross of the little church.

WROTE FAREWELL NOTE.

Then Macon Man Took Dose Which Ended His Life.

The funeral of Charles Bailey, who killed himself last night by taking morphine, was held from Hart's chapel, Macon, Ga. His brother, from America, who is said to be quite wealthy, was in attendance. Bailey was a gambler. It is said, and recently went broke. When his room was broken into, a note to his mother and one to his brother were found. He had written to his mother: "To My Dear Mother: Taking all things into consideration, I think this is the best way, so good-bye. I'll meet you in the sweet by and bye." To his brother, Walter Bailey, he requested that his death be made certain before burial. Bailey was 46 years of age.

SOUTHERN BAPTISTS.

Two Thousand Attend Jacksonville Convention.

Delegates to the Southern Baptist convention met at Jacksonville, Fla., this week.

It is believed that there will be fully 2,000 in attendance.

There are several candidates for the presidency. Dr. B. D. Gray, of Atlanta, it is said, will probably be elected.

There are several cities bidding for the next convention. It will probably go to some city west of the Mississippi river.

At Central, S. C., T. M. Norris' automobile ran over two little children, aged six years each. Johnnie Puckett was killed almost instantly. The other child, Grace Kelley, is still alive, with a chance of recovery.

G. W. Kompf, aged 30, a traveling man, from Nashville, Tenn., was killed at Clarksburg, W. Va., by a freight train while crossing the tracks. His home is believed to be in Lexington, Ky.

The first of the fourteen-year locusts have been heard at Acworth, Ga. Quite a number were reported from different sections of the community.

J. A. MOON.

Congressman Who Demands Investigation of Postoffice Matters.



A STRANGE SUICIDE.

Father Requested Little Son to Pull Trigger of Gun.

Lester Husted, 12 years old, told the authorities of Greenwich, Conn., that, at his father's request, he pulled the trigger of a shotgun, which blew the right side of the man's head off.

Frederick Husted, a wealthy farmer, was found in his home late yesterday with his head partly blown off and a shotgun lying on a table. The boy said his father sent his mother away, called him into the house and, laying the gun on a table, knelt so that his left eye was at the muzzle of the gun. Then he said: "Pull the trigger; it isn't loaded. I want to hear how it sounds."

The boy pulled the trigger, the charge of shot blowing away the left side of the father's face and head.

Repeated questions failed to shake the boy's story, and the medical officer decided he would have to call it a case of suicide.

COTTON STATEMENT.

Comparisons With This and the Last Two Years.

Hester's cotton statement per New Orleans dispatch says:

Amount in sight for week, 73,823 bales, against 74,381 bales last year and 114,887 bales year before.

In sight since September 1, 11,243, 357 bales, against 9,799,700 bales last year and 12,570,553 bales year before.

Overland for week, 12,215 bales, against 9,968 bales last year and 14,908 bales year before.

Overland since September 1, 885, 454 bales, against 741,767 bales last year and 1,123,725 bales year before.

Southern consumption, 29,000 bales, against 35,000 bales last year and 45,000 bales year before.

BACKS WOMAN MAYOR.

Attorney General Will Invoke Laws to Carry Out Her Administration.

The whole power of the state is backing up Mrs. Ella Wilson, mayor of Hannuwell, in her fight on the city council and the police department, which have refused to obey her orders and the law, says a Topeka, Kan., dispatch.

This was announced in a letter to her from Attorney General Dawson, who declared that he would invoke the laws to see that her administration is carried out and that her rights will be protected.

In the letter Attorney General Dawson advises her to "smile and do not take too seriously the comment made by citizens."

"All the doings of a public officer occupying the high position of mayor are the subjects of free comment by free citizens," he wrote.

NEGRO LYNCHED.

Taken From County Jail Twenty Minutes After Victim Dies.

At 11 o'clock Saturday night, twenty minutes after Deputy Wood, his victim, died, John McLeod, a negro, was dragged from Emanuel county (Ga.) jail and hanged by a body of men, orderly but determined. The body was suspended from a tree and riddled with bullets.

There was no excitement to speak of. Hidden keys to the jail were found and the victim quickly strung up. Following the lynching, all parties disappeared. The identity of any one is unknown. The coroner's inquest found death caused by "unknown parties."

FATAL AUTO ACCIDENT.

David Upchurch Meets Instant Death When His Car Goes Over Bluff.

David Upchurch was instantly killed and his companion, Dick Hall, probably fatally injured at Selma, Ala., when their automobile ran over the embankment of the Alabama river at the foot of Church street in Selma.

Both young men belong to prominent families at Ulenstown, Ala. Witnesses to the accident declare the machine struck a second bluff in its descent, turning a complete somersault, and was crushed to splinters by the fall. Upchurch's body was so badly crushed as to be unrecognizable.

George Dubois, aged 13, died in New Orleans at a local hospital from lockjaw as the result of running a splinter into his foot.

As he was motoring into Elberton, Ga., Overton Lowe, of Washington, ran over a 14-year-old negro boy, who, during the day, died from the injuries. It is said the negro ran in front of the car.

Judge W. L. Dickson quashed the perjury indictment against George B. Cox, the republican boss, of Cincinnati.

CLOSE OF REUNION A GREAT SUCCESS

Grizzled Veterans Bid Good-bye to Little Rock.

PLEASED WITH RECEPTION

Convention of the United Confederate Veterans' Association Comes to an End at Little Rock—Most Successful and Enjoyable Reunion.

Friday the last of the grizzled veterans of the lost cause left Little Rock, and the gathering passed into history.

The convention of Confederate veterans ended with the grand parade and the annual Confederate veterans' ball.

All the old soldiers who remained in the city were escorted to their trains and presented with baskets of lunches by the Daughters of the Confederacy.

It is remarkable that the parade was attended with but few accidents and no fatal results. There were several of the war-worn soldiers who found that they were not able to withstand the tiresome treadmill of the parade, and succumbed to the heat, but they were speedily cared for, and all soon recovered.

While bands played wartime airs, the soldiers of the old south marched through the streets of Little Rock in their twenty-first annual parade. Their commander-in-chief, Gen. Geo. W. Gordon, of Memphis, Tenn., was confined to his room by the order of physicians. As the line of march passed the hotel, the veterans saluted.

The reviewing stand, that had been intended for officers, was given over to aged and infirm veterans, although many were in line who had lost a leg, an arm or were lame from wounds received at war. Governor Donaghey, of Arkansas, with his orderly and private secretary, occupied a carriage in the parade.

The last event of this year's reunion was the Confederate ball, which was given at the auditorium, attended by those who remained for that purpose and who included dignitaries of the United Confederate Veterans and kindred organizations.

The next reunion will be held at Macon, Ga.

VICTORIA MEMORIAL.

Unveiling Marked by Scenes of Pomp and Splendor.

The Queen Victoria memorial was unveiled at London amid scenes of pomp and in the presence of British and German royalty. King George and Queen Mary of England and Emperor William and the empress of Germany walked from Buckingham palace to the scene of the unveiling, while a multitude cheered the monarchs.

The royal party walked from the grand entrance in the quadrangle to the grounds of Buckingham palace through the central archway and the new gateway to the statue. A guard of honor was drawn upon the quadrangle and the royal route was lined with soldiers and marines drawn up with presented arms.

A squad of mounted police rode through the streets wherein the royal party was to pass, while the "surveillance squad" of Scotland Yard, under personal command of Superintendent Frost, kept a sharp lookout for anarchists.

The royal party ascended the steps of an especially constructed dais on the palace side of Victoria gardens, where they remained through the ceremonies. The scene was brilliant and inspiring. The mighty multitude upon the Mall made a brilliant setting with the gowns of the women and the uniforms of the soldiers and sailors.

The privileged guests passed between line of soldiers and took up their stations. Both King George and Emperor William wore the uniforms of British field marshals, and their breasts were covered with medals. They walked side by side, followed by the English queen and the German empress. Close behind the royal consorts walked Princess Victoria of Prussia and other members of royalty.

SWALLOWS DIAMOND.

Wilkesbarre Tailor Tests His Digestive Organs.

Harry Fassen, a jeweler, of Pittston, near Wilkesbarre, Pa., was opening a consignment of unmounted diamonds, when Max Marcus, a tailor, having a shop nearby, strolled in. "Here are some fine diamonds," said Fassen, spreading them out.

"That's a beauty," admitted Marcus, picking up one of the largest. He remarked that it must be easy to steal stones like that from the diamond mines by swallowing them.

"Why, I'll bet I could swallow that easily," he said.

"It will cost you \$50 if you do," said Fassen, laughingly.

"That's a go," explained Marcus. He popped the diamond in his mouth, seized a glass of water and, with a gulp, both water and diamond went down his throat.

Before Fassen had recovered his voice, Marcus had thrust \$50 at him and walked out. Fassen says the diamond cost him \$150, but he can not go back on his word.

Lawrence A. Felder, of Georgia, has been made first lieutenant in the medical reserve corps of the army, according to Washington advices.

President Taft has formally nominated to the senate Henry L. Stimson, of New York, to be secretary of war.

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Chicago Attorney Retained to Defend Dynamite Case Suspects.



BRIBERY CHARGES.

Illinois State Senate is Not Through With Lorimer Election Scandal.

A Springfield, Ill., dispatch says: The charges of bribery in the election of William Lorimer to the United States senate will be pushed by the state senate to the limit, following the adoption of a resolution in that body, which declares that the seat was obtained by bribery and corruption. The resolution passed by a vote of 39 to 10, and recommendation was made to the United States senate to push the investigation with all haste. Evidence which was gathered by the state senate investigating committee recently, connecting Edward Hines, the lumber millionaire, and Edward Tilden, head of the beef trust, with the raising and distribution of an alleged \$100,000 corruption fund, which was used to buy votes in the legislature, will be presented to the senate.

Principally the state senate demands that the United States senate clear the good name of the state by ousting Lorimer. Added to this, the resolution embodied a rebuke to Judge Edsel Pettit, of Chicago, who relieved Tilden and two of his associates from testifying or producing documentary evidence demanded by the committee on a writ of habeas corpus.

It was declared at Springfield, Ill., that the Helm committee would use every means in its power to punish Tilden for contempt in refusing to appear before it.

It is probable he will be forced to show his books in the investigation of the part played in the bribery by State Senators Broderick and Pemberton, who are alleged to have been the go-betweens.

COTTON SHORT.

Bull Leader Declares That There is Not Enough to Go Around.

"There is not enough cotton to go around," declared Frank B. Hayne, prominent bull leader and local cotton buyer, of New Orleans. He caused excitement in the New Orleans exchange by offering to buy 200,000 bales of May and July at the market price, then going one better by offering an eighth of a cent higher than the exchange quotations for all the cotton in the city.

"We know how much cotton we will get between now and September 1," he continued. "And there is not enough to keep the mills running, and some of them must close down. For the last two years the world has needed 27,000,000 bales, and all it will get will be 22,500,000 bales, or 4,500,000 bales short of the amount required, and what would have been used had the staple been grown. That is the situation. I believe cotton will go higher."

SANGUINARY BATTLE.

Streets of Cuautla Reported to Be Choked With Dead Bodies.

A sanguinary battle was fought at Cuautla, twenty miles southeast of Cuernavaca, Mexico, between the federal garrison, under Colonel Munguia, and a force of rebels, commanded by Colonel Zapata. Fugitives arriving state that the streets of Cuautla are strewn with dead and wounded.

A commission left for Cuautla carrying news of the armistice, which, it is hoped, will put an end to the fighting. General Figueroa is leading 3,000 rebel troops from Iguazaga, presumably en route for this city.

Cuernavaca is the capital of the state of Morelos, and is forty miles south of Mexico City. Cuautla is a town of about 8,000, in Morelos.

MEETING PLACE CHOSEN.

Baptists Name Oklahoma City for 1912 Convention.

Oklahoma City has been chosen as the next place of meeting by the Southern Baptist convention, which has been in session at Jacksonville, Fla.

The convention unanimously endorsed President Taft's plans for international peace.

Butts county, Georgia, will likely have a farmers institute this summer, to be conducted by Professor J. E. Hite, of the State Agricultural college. The matter will be taken up by the Farmers' union at their monthly meeting at Jackson, Ga., on the first Friday in June.

Captain John H. Gibbons has assumed the superintendency of the United States Naval academy at Annapolis. Captain John M. Bowyer was forced by ill health to relinquish the post.

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